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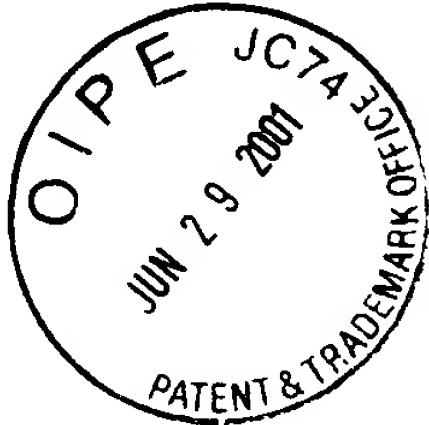
In re Patent Application of

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For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING
NOVEL DNA SEQUENCE WITH
BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITY



) **BOX: AF**

) Group Art Unit: 1631

) Examiner: J. Brusca

AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In complete response to the Official Action dated March 12, 2001, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace Claims 3, 4, 6-8 and 11-27 as follows:

3. (Thrice Amended) A method of identifying a functional nucleotide sequence
which provides a desired biological activity comprising:
- a. providing a means for detecting said desired biological activity;